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I.T. EXEMPTION TO NGOS
PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of NGOs have applied for income-taxexemption under section 80G for drought/cyclone/social service in the affected areas of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details of NGOs applied for such exemptionin Gujarat circle during last three years and are pending with the Government till date;

(c) the reasons for the delay in disposing-of these applications; and

(d) the time by which these are likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N.RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) Approval under section 80G is allowed by the concerned Commissioner of Income-tax. No centralized informationis maintained in the Central Board of Direct Taxes.

(b) During the financial years 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001(upto 27-02-2001), 8222 NGOs applied forexemption under section 80G. Out of which as on 27-02-2001, 802 applications are pending.

(c) The applications were found to be either procedurally incomplete or defective. These applications will be disposed off after the defects are removed.

(d) Most of these applications will be disposed of by 31-3-2001 subject to rectification of defects by the applicants. In any case, these will be disposed off within the limitation period of six months from the date of application as provided under Rule 11AA(6) of the I.T. Rule.